Dear Committee members,

Although I am not an expert, I believe it's obvious to all of us that are lucky enough to live along the Connecticut shoreline that our horseshoe crab population has been in decline for years. As a child 40 years ago, I can recall seeing dozens of them gathered at the waters edge to lay their eggs. A dozen years ago, when my daughter was young, I felt lucky if we saw two or three. For the past few years, I haven't seen any and I'm at the beach at least four days a week. Please support this bill and save these amazing creatures.

Thank you, Liz Van Loan 61 Edgerton Street Darien, CT